

Eau Claire County's Older Population

Social and Economic Characteristics

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	Eau Claire County		Wisconsin
Household Income (Householder Age 65+)		Percent	Percent
Income less than \$35,000	5,033	67.7%	65.2%
Income less than \$50,000	6,169	83.0%	80.4%

Persons 65+ with Incomes Below Poverty Level	Number	Percent	Percent
Below Poverty	759	7.1%	7.4%
Below 2.0 x Poverty	3,154	29.4%	29.6%

Median Income: Comparing Age Groups		Dollars	Dollars
Total (Householders of all ages)		\$39,219	\$43,791
Householder 65 to 74 years		\$30,639	\$31,328
Householder 75 years and over		\$20,550	\$21,046

Employment Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Males Employed in Civilian Labor Force	688	15.1%	17.7%
Females Employed in Civilian Labor Force	473	6.9%	9.3%

Educational Attainment: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
65+; Less than 9th grade	1,951	17.1%	17.8%
65+; 9th to 12th grade; no diploma	1,239	10.9%	15.5%
65+; High school graduate (includes equivalency)	4,684	41.1%	38.2%
65+; Some college; no Bachelor's degree	1,917	16.8%	13.7%
65+, Bachelor's degree or more	1,616	14.2%	12.7%

Marital Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Never married	486	4.3%	4.7%
Married	6,141	53.8%	52.9%
Separated	333	2.9%	5.2%
Widowed	3,793	33.3%	31.3%
Divorced	654	5.7%	5.9%
Males , 65 and over, married	3,352	73.7%	71.3%
Females , 65 and over, married	2,789	40.7%	39.9%

Disability Status, Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Persons 65 or older with any disability	4,131	38.5%	36.5%
With a sensory disability	1,377	12.8%	11.9%
With a physical disability	2,699	25.2%	24.1%
With a mental disability	929	8.7%	7.6%
With a self-care disability	777	7.2%	7.5%
With a go-outside-home disability	1,915	17.9%	17.7%
Age 65+, with disability and income below poverty level	447	10.8%	10.6%